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## GERMANS USING GAS ATTACKS AGAINST RUSSIAN LINES NOW

IN REGION OF LAKE NAROCZ, THE GERMANS FRIDAY LAUNCHED GAS ATTACKS, LINES OF TEUTON SOLDIERS ADVANCING BETWEEN GAS WAVES.

All the Attackers were Driven Back, Petrograd Says—Russian Advance Guards Made Surprise Attacks on Turkish-tified Post in Caucasus Breaking Through and Inflicting Severe Losses on the Defenders—Berlin Admits that Russians and Rumanians in Dobrudja, who were Friday Reported in Retreat, are again on Offensive, but Says they Have Made No Progress—Dispatch to Rome Says Mackensen's Army is in Retreat Despite Berlin Statements to Contrary—British and French Preparing to Close up Their Grip on Combes on the Albert-Peronne Railroad, Six Miles Northwest of Peronne.

The Germans in the region of Lake Narocz on the northern end of the Russian line launched a gas attack lasting two hours yesterday and between the gas waves dense columns of Teutons advanced but were driven back each time, Petrograd says.

Russian advance guards made surprising attacks on a Turkish fortified post in Caucasus, breaking through and inflicting severe losses on the defenders, a Russian statement adds. The greater part of the camp stores were burned by the Russians.

Berlin admits that the Russians and Rumanians, who yesterday were reported retreating in Dobrudja, are again on the offensive but have made no progress.

According to a Swiss dispatch to Rome, the retreat of von Mackensen's army in Dobrudja continues, despite Berlin advices to the contrary.

The Danube fortress or Silesia, which was recently captured by the German and Bulgarian forces, is said to have been abandoned to the Russians and Rumanians.

German trenches on a half-mile front, east of Courcellette in the Somme region, were captured Friday night by the British, says a London statement.

The French report the capture Friday night of a small fortified position and some trench sections close to Combes with some prisoners. Apparently the French and British forces on the Somme are preparing to close their grip on Combes, an important town on the Albert-Peronne Railroad, six miles northwest of Peronne.

German Territory Invaded. Lisbon, Sept. 23.—An extensive invasion of German East Africa by the Portuguese troops is reported in a war office statement. Germany declared war on Portugal in March.

British Lieutenant Killed. London, Sept. 23.—Richard Philip Stanhope, aged 31, lieutenant of the Grenadier Guards, and heir to his brother, the seventh earl of Stanhope, has been killed in action, it was announced today.

British Steamer Captured. Berlin, Sept. 23.—The capture of the British steamer Colchester Thursday by the German sea forces is reported by the Overseas News Agency. The Colchester was taken to Zeebrugge, Belgium.

KILLS WIFE, SHOOTSELF  
Man Shoots Wife to Death, Then Fires Bullet into Own Temple.

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 23.—Mrs. James Doak was found in her home dead and her husband shot through the temple, when neighbors called the police today. Doak is in a critical condition.

WEATHER FORECAST  
New Orleans, La., Sept. 23.—The forecast for Oklahoma for Sunday is unsettled weather.

## LOCALS RATIFY DELEGATES WORK

TRADE UNIONS OF GREATER NEW YORK ARE RATIFYING ACTION OF THEIR DELEGATES IN ORDERING SYMPATHETIC STRIKE.

## WILL QUIT WEDNESDAY

All Union Men Are Asked to Stay at Home Until the Traction Companies Make It Possible to Ride on Cars Operated by Union Men.

New York, Sept. 23.—The trade unions of this city and West Chester County are voting on the ratification of the action of the eight delegates, who yesterday called a "general suspension" of work next Wednesday at 8 a. m.

The labor chiefs have appealed to all union men to stay at home until the traction companies make it possible for them to ride in the street cars without offending union allegiance.

The resolutions calling upon all union men to cease work next Wednesday were adopted late Friday at a conference of labor leaders representing the federated bodies in all burroughs of the city as well as many national and international unions. The announcement of the determination to call a sympathetic walkout was made by Hugh Frayme, the state organizer of the American Federation of Labor.

## TWO HUNDRED PASSENGERS TAKEN OFF

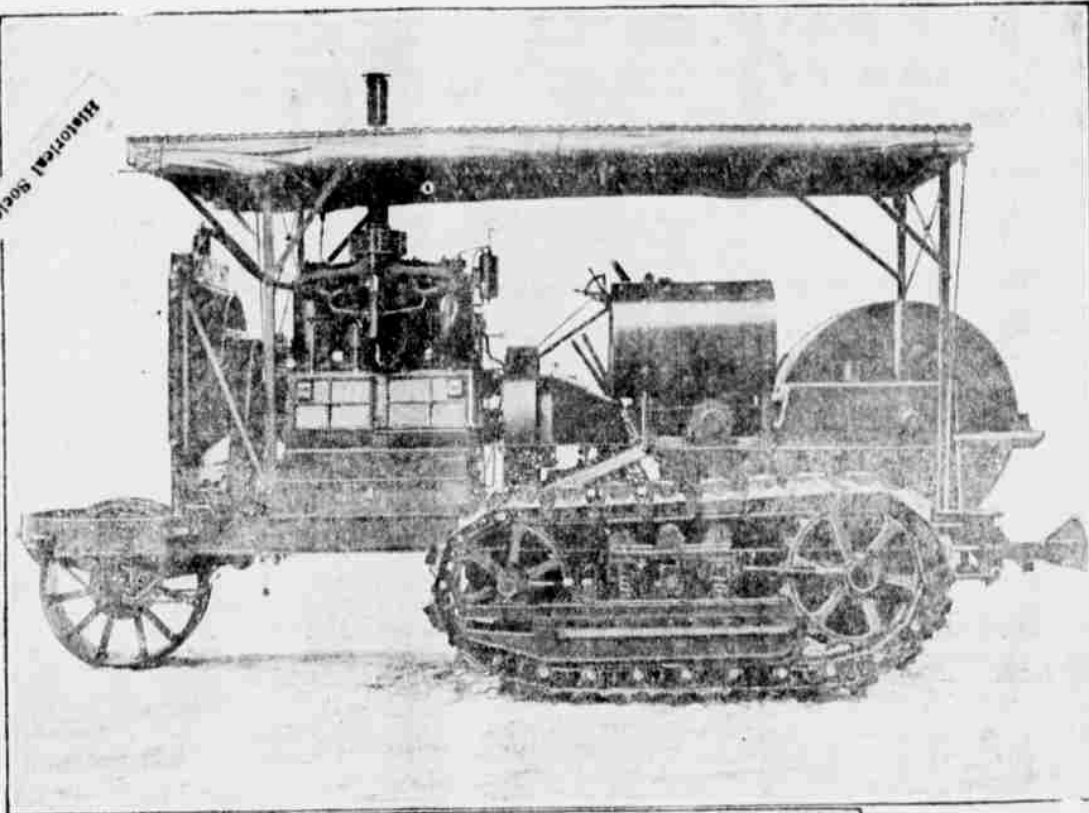
THE PASSENGER STEAMER BAY STATE FROM BOSTON TO PORTLAND, MAINE, IS IN DANGEROUS POSITION.

Portland, Me., Sept. 23.—The passenger steamer Bay State, from Boston to Portland, ran ashore off Cape Elizabeth during a fog.

Her two hundred passengers were safely removed. The steamer is in a dangerous position.

Moved Back to Ardmore.  
Mrs. Bertie Rowe who was formerly Miss Bertie McCoy of this city, has moved back to Ardmore from Electrica, where she and her husband resided for the past year. Mr. Rowe is now with Dr. Skillern in the Oil City field in Carter county. Mrs. Rowe, who was reared in Ardmore, is glad to move back here. She says this is the busiest city she has seen since she went away, and that Ardmore is busier than it ever was before. She is enjoying the prosperity of the city.

## BRITISH ARMORED BATTLE "TANKS" ARE A MODIFIED AMERICAN INVENTION



TRACTOR LIKE THAT USED BY BRITISH ARMY

The British armored tractors, or "tanks," which have distinguished themselves in the battle of the Somme by smashing German opposition to their advance, are made out of "caterpillar" tractors built in America. The British completed car, the American manufacturers believe, is made simply by enlarging the platform on the tractor so that it extends over most of the machinery and furnishes room for machine guns and their crews by covering the whole with a tortoise shell of steel armor. The machine has a fore wheel which is used only for guiding purposes, and indeed in the smaller type of farm tractors is absent. No weight rests on this wheel,

and it could be removed altogether without causing the frame of the tractor to dip more than a few inches. The weight is carried on the two "caterpillars." These consist of two belts with corrugated surfaces on the inside of each of which are two lines of steel rails joined in short sections and operated by sprocket wheels. As the endless belt turns with the progression of the machine the forward sprocket wheel lays down the track and the rear one picks it up again. On the rails thus laid down roll the wheels on which the machine is supported—five wheels to a side, on trucks something like miniatures of those used on railroad cars. They

run only on the steel rails, and the rails are supported on the belt of steel plates two feet wide. The newest and largest of the machines which are the basis of the "tanks" are about twenty-three feet long and nine feet wide over all. The "caterpillars," which are well toward the rear, are normally about seven feet long—that is to say, about seven feet of belt and rails are on the ground at one time. But it is a simple matter to lengthen the "caterpillar" by inserting additional trucks, and quite conceivably for war purposes they may have been made almost as long as the frame of the car.

## WHITE WAY IS STILL A LIVE ISSUE

MANY PEOPLE ARE ANXIOUS FOR THE ELECTION TO BE CALLED TO SEE THE WORK ACTUALLY BEGIN.

The question of the white way was up for a discussion again yesterday morning at the city hall and when the question was asked as to when the matter would be submitted to the people the city attorney stated that it would be done as soon as the people had familiarized themselves with every detail of the proposition.

Some time ago the mayor asked that anyone who wished to protest against the white way do so either personally to him or through the press, in that manner the sentiment of the people could be sounded, but up to date not one has responded. The city attorney stated that an effort would be made to get the people together in a mass meeting and the whole proposition submitted to them for their approval or disapproval before the election is called. He has the ordinance calling the election all prepared, but wants the taxpayers to make a thorough investigation before they cast their votes either for or against the proposition.

Some Diamonds Stolen.  
Some weeks ago some person entered the W. A. Tewksbury home at 119 North Washington street and took two diamond rings belonging to Mrs. Tewksbury, and a small sum of money. Again Friday the home was entered and a diamond stud belonging to Mr. Tewksbury was taken. No trace of the stolen jewelry has been found and the officers have no probable clue that promises to lead to any arrests.

Here From Provence.  
Prof. and Mrs. Michael and their daughter, Miss Amy, of Provence, were here yesterday. Prof. Michael is planning to attend the state fair democratic day, which will be next Thursday.

## LOOK OUT FOR DEMOCRATIC DAY AT FAIR

CARTER COUNTY DEMOCRATS INVITE ALL SOUTHERN OKLAHOMA TO MEET HERE.—MATHERS WILL RESERVE HOTEL ROOMS.

Judge T. W. Champion of the county court was named chairman and James H. Mathers was chosen secretary of the democratic delegation who will go from Ardmore to attend the state fair Thursday, September 28. Thursday has been designated as democratic day and as there are so many people who wanted to hear Ollie James or Champ Clark speak, it has been decided that Ardmore's biggest delegation will go on that day. James A. Cotner, chairman of the county central committee, wrote the fair management yesterday asking that Ardmore day be changed from September 27 to September 28. The greater number of Ardmore people will leave here Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, but those who cannot leave at that time can go on the 12 o'clock train at night.

Mr. Mathers was selected as secretary for the convenience of those who will want to make the trip. Those who reside out of town who want berths reserved can have Mr. Mathers make the reservations. Those who want hotel accommodations reserved can also have Mr. Mathers do that. The plans are to send the secretary to Oklahoma City in advance and to take one floor of one of the leading hotels and dedicate it to the use of the Southern Oklahoma contingent. Appropriate badges will be printed, funds will be raised to take musicians along, a suitable banner for the parade will be painted and all the details of the trip will be looked after by the chairman and the secretary.

Madill Tishomingo, Marietta and all towns in this section of the country are requested to meet here and all go in a body. Probably not enough will go from one county to make a creditable showing, but when all combine and make the trip as a South-

ern Oklahoma delegation, there will be a lively time in the old town.

## Earthquake Recorded Yesterday.

Washington, Sept. 23.—An earthquake, estimated at 2,300 miles distance, was recorded on the seismograph at Georgetown university today. The shock was moderate.

## PLANS FOR NEW DEPOT UNDER DISCUSSION

AT A MEETING FRIDAY AFTERNOON IT WAS AGREED TO DEFER ACTION FOR A FEW DAYS LONGER.—NEW PLANS.

Friday afternoon W. E. Maxson and Judge Sam Hayes representing the Santa Fe system, met with the board of city commissioners for the purpose of taking up the question of suitable plans for a new depot. This meeting was arranged for some time ago and the citizens committee that was named to work with the chamber of commerce was supposed to have been at the meeting Friday, but for some reason they failed to show up, and the matter was talked over between the city officials and the representatives of the Santa Fe, and it was agreed to defer action until the entire committee could be brought together and the matter finally settled.

The Santa Fe has proposed to make some radical changes in their plans which met with the approval of the board of city commissioners. If the citizens' committee can be brought to agree with the commissioners, the railway company will begin immediately the erection of a depot which they say will be superior to any in the state at this time.

The committee will be assembled as soon as possible, and it is the general belief here now that the plans in their altered form will be accepted.

The bark of black oak, or "yellow oak," as it is often called on account of the color of the inner bark, is now used for dye-making.

## THINK TREVINO MADE BUNGLE

CARRANZA'S DEFENDER AT CHIHUAHUA CITY MAY BE REPLACED BY NAFARRATE.

## DISCUSSION OF VILLA

Secretaries Baker and Lansing Held Conference Yesterday About Recent Activity of Villa and His Possibility As Military Factor.

Brownsville, Tex., Sept. 23.—That General Trevino bungled in his attempted defense of Chihuahua City from Villa's attack and may be removed from command of the army in northern Mexico and succeeded by General Nafarrate, who is now the Carranza commander in Tamaulipas, was the substance of information from apparently reliable sources in Matamoros today, according to a Mexican army officer, who says ten thousand citizens, including seven hundred Villistas were attending a celebration. At a given signal, the bandits scattered and made simultaneous attacks in various parts of the city. One attacked the municipal palace, where Trevino was attending a ball, and an officer was wounded in the shoulder. According to the same information, two hundred Villistas were captured and fifty killed.

## Discuss Villa at Capital.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Secretaries Lansing and Baker discussed the various phases of the Mexican affairs today, including the renewed activity of Villa and the possibility that he is again becoming a military factor.

Major General Scott, chief of staff, said he believed Villa is still alive and would not question that General Bell's source of information regarding the Chihuahua fighting is bad, but there is "no reason to believe it was not reliable."

## No Session of Commission.

New London, Conn., Sept. 23.—No session of the Mexican-American joint commission, which is trying to settle the border problems, was held today. The Mexican members are out of the city on private business.

## One Hundred More Monkeys.

Manila, Sept. 23.—One hundred Philippine monkeys have been shipped on the Japanese steamer Nippon Maru, consigned to the Rockefeller Institute, New York. The monkeys were captured in Laguna province, close to Manila, and cost 75 cents each. A Filipino caretaker accompanies them on their long voyage.

The monkeys are sent as a result of an arrangement made some time ago between Dr. Flexner of the Rockefeller Institute and Dr. Alvin S. Cox director of science of the Philippine government. At the outbreak of the epidemic of infantile paralysis in New York, Dr. Flexner cabled a request to send the monkeys at once. A special permit was issued by the American health authorities to permit the monkeys to enter the United States, thus waiving the embargo on Philippine animals, enforced by the sanitary officials.

## The Old Guard Still Commands.

That the Republican party is a party of inaction as well as reaction is shown by the vote in the senate on the Emergency Revenue measure. Every republican senator, save five, when voting on that bill, vote against:

1. A non-partisan tariff commission.
2. Readjustment of tariff on dyestuffs.
3. Protection against post-bellum dumping.
4. Tax on excessive profits on war munitions.
5. Inheritance tax on swollen fortunes—the most justifiable of all taxes.
6. Increase in income surtaxes—a small increase in taxes of the very rich.

Of such are the leaders of the forces that nominated Hughes, and who will be in power in the event of Republican success.